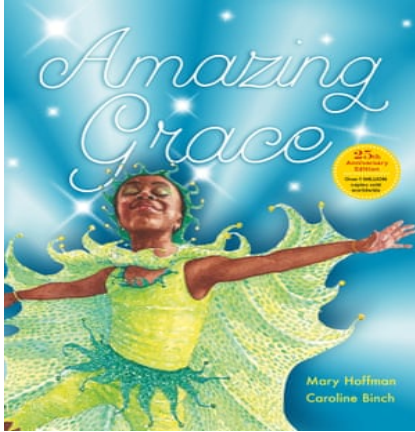


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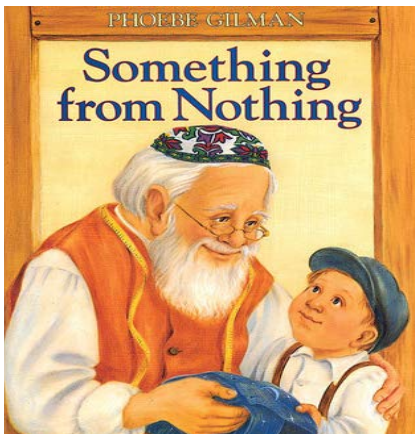
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Amazing Grace

By: Mary Hoffman

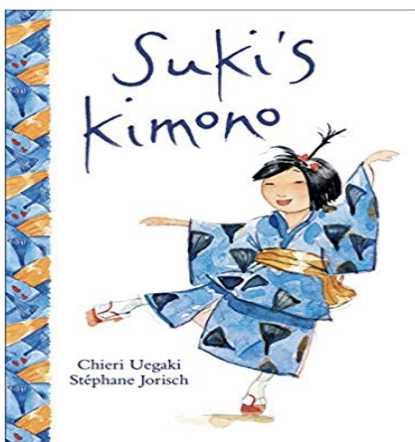
Amazing Grace tackles impactful issues concerning discrimination and gender normativity through the perspective of a little girl named Grace. With a strong connection to the Arts discipline, Grace challenges societal norms and the historical discrimination of People of Colour through her journey to play Peter Pan in her school play.



Something From Nothing

By: Phoebe Gilman

This beautifully illustrated Jewish folktale shares a heartwarming story about a growing boy, named Joseph, and his grandfather. Joseph's grandfather makes him a blanket when he is born. As Joseph grows older, the blanket begins to wear so Joseph's grandfather transforms what's left of his blanket into new items. The bottom of the page showcases a hidden story about a family of mice utilizing the excess pieces from Joseph's blanket to create new items within their home.



Suki's Kimono

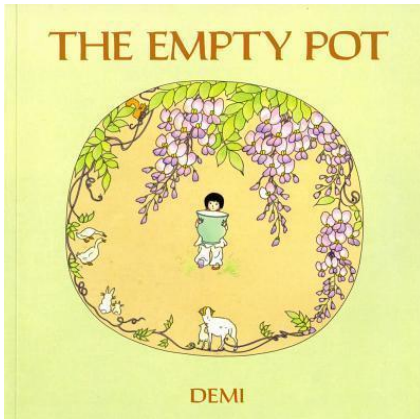
By: Chieri Uegaki

Suki's Kimono opens dialogue concerning western assimilation, societal norms and Japanese traditions, and culture. Readers follow along as Suki wears her Kimono to her predominantly western school. Through Suki's courage and bravery an important lesson about acknowledging and welcoming differences is shared.

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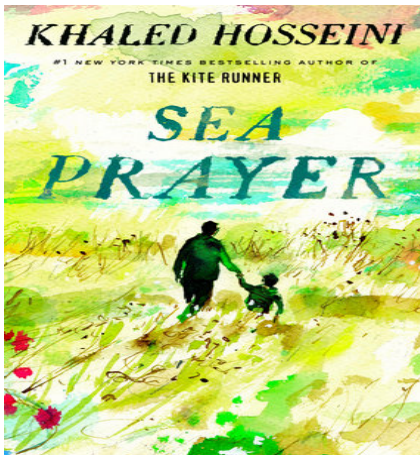


The Empty Pot

By: Demi

The Empty Pot shares a compelling story about a young boy's honesty. Taking place in China, the Empty Pot follows Ping's story to become a successor of the emperors thrown. Uniquely illustrated, each image of the story is in the shape of a circle showcasing traditional dress and Chinese architecture. The moral rich story introduces conversations regarding integrity, truthfulness and trying your best through the "growing" of a flower seed.

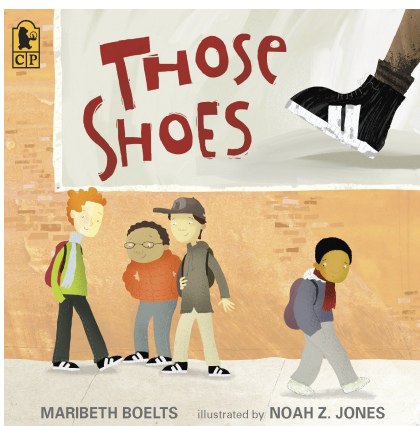
Read Aloud: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a9K-sAKdk2Y>



Sea Prayer

By: Khaled Hosseini

The Sea Prayer is a powerful read by award-winning author Khaled Hosseini, who also wrote the Kite Runner. The Sea Prayer shares a father's wish for his son through a poetic story. The Sea Prayer is inspired by a 3 year old Syrian refugee, Alan Kurdi who drowned when searching for safety in the Mediterranean sea. The book shines light on a refugee experience through metaphors and similes, allowing all readers to resonate with the story.



Those Shoes

By: Maribeth Boelts

Those shoes explores important conversations regarding socioeconomic status, friendship, and the distinction between needs and wants. Through Jeremy's hunt for a pair of shoes, readers enjoy a meaningful story showcasing family, friends, and community.